

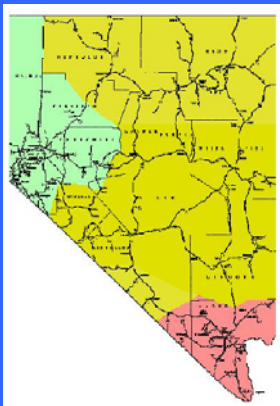
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Overview

In February the inclement winter weather patterns that the Central Command had been experiencing continued. Therefore, the total number of crashes remained the same as the previous month at 119.

Of the 119 crashes handled by Central Command personnel, 2 involved fatalities for a 50.0% decrease, 41 involved injuries for a 28.1% increase and 76 involved property damage for a 8.4% decrease. There was a notable decrease in commercial vehicle involved crashes at 45.5%. Of the 18 total crashes that involved commercial vehicles, 11 or 61.1%, were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver.

Overall enforcement activity declined by 5.1% or 225 fewer violations cited when compared to January. However, there was a 9.7% increase in enforcement when compared to the same reporting period the previous year. All enforcement categories showed a decrease in activity with the exception of DUI arrest prior to crash and occupant restraint violations. The DUI arrest prior to crash category increased by 10.7% and the occupant restraint category increased by 22.7%, when compared to the previous month.

Commercial Enforcement personnel showed major improvements when compared to the previous month. Personnel conducted 72 more inspections for a 13.3% increase. With more inspections conducted came corresponding increases in violations discovered up 50.9%, citations issued up 30.8%, along with drivers and vehicles being placed "Out of Service" up 93.3% and 29.6% respectively. Commercial vehicles weighed also increased by 160.1%, however, overweight citations decreased by 54.5%.

Traffic personnel conducted 475 Level 2/3 inspections in February resulting in 622 violations and 233 citations, with 54 drivers and 5 vehicles being placed "Out of Service".

The Communication Center showed a 11.1% decrease in the number of radio transmissions, a 9.6% decrease in the number of CAD incidents generated and a 16.4% decrease in telephone calls during February.

Again, I commend the personnel of the Central Command for their continued efforts, hard work and commitment to do the best job possible.

CENTRAL COMMAND

CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	February-07		February-06	% Change		January-07	% Change
Total Crashes	119		77	54.5%		119	0.0%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	76		59	28.8%		83	-8.4%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	41		17	141.2%		32	28.1%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	2		1	100.0%		4	-50.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	3		2	50.0%		2	50.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	3		1	200.0%		5	-40.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	1		0	100.0%		1	0.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	2		0	200.0%		2	0.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total persons killed - seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	18		20	-10.0%		33	-45.5%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	16		15	6.7%		25	-36.0%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	2		4	-50.0%		8	-75.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		1	-100.0%		0	0.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 1.7%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 2.5%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 33.3%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 15.1%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- The total number of crashes in February remained the same as the previous month at 119. Property crashes declined by 8.4% while Injury crashes increased by 9 or 28.1%. Fatal crashes declined by 2 or 50% as compared to January.
- There were 2 Fatal crashes in February with 3 persons killed. Two drivers were wearing their seatbelts at the time of the crash and one passenger was unrestrained.
- During February there were 3 crashes involving impaired drivers. There was only one post-crash BAC of .140 available.
- There was a notable decline, 45.5% in the number of commercial vehicles involved in crashes. Of the 18 total crashes involving commercial vehicles, 11 or 61.1% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver. Twelve crashes occurred on the Interstate while 6 occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	February-07		February-06	% Change		January-07	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	3		2	50.0%		2	50.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	31		33	-6.1%		28	10.7%
Other Arrests	151		204	-26.0%		168	-10.1%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	63		97	-35.1%		85	-25.9%
Speed violations	1849		1997	-7.4%		1957	-5.5%
Hazardous moving violations	272		198	37.4%		280	-2.9%
Occupant restraint violations *	362		404	-10.4%		295	22.7%
Total violations [above violations included]	4213		3841	9.7%		4438	-5.1%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violatons - citations/arrests	33		38	-13.2%		15	120.0%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	31		18	72.2%		39	-20.5%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	612		546	12.1%		540	13.3%
Terminal inspections [level 5] CR only	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	102		94	8.5%		78	30.8%
Total safety violations -- repair order	866		777	11.5%		574	50.9%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	35		30	16.7%		27	29.6%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	29		26	11.5%		15	93.3%
Total school buses inspected	50		35	42.9%		48	4.2%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	11		6	83.3%		8	37.5%
Total trucks weighed	593		619	-4.2%		228	160.1%
Total overweight citations	5		11	-54.5%		11	-54.5%
Total dyed fuel inspections	590		521	13.2%		529	11.5%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Total enforcement activity for February declined slightly by 5.1% as the Command continued to experience inclement weather. There was also a decrease in all categories of enforcement except for "occupant restraint violations", which increased by 22.7%. There were 108 fewer speed, 8 fewer hazardous moving and 22 fewer persons arrested.
- There were 31 arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash for a 10.7% increase. The average BAC was .169.
- Commercial personnel conducted 72 more inspections for a 13.3% increase. Additionally, there were significant increases in citations issued being up 30.8%, violations discovered up 50.9%, vehicles placed "out of service" up 29.6%, and drivers placed "out of service" up 93.3%.

- The number of commercial vehicles weighed increased by 365 or 165% and resulted in 5 overweight citations being issued. Of the 593 vehicles weighed, 106 were conducted on secondary roadways during 240 hours of directed enforcement.
- Dyed fuel inspections increased as a result of the increase in the number of overall inspections. Of the 590 dyed fuel inspections conducted, 226 were accomplished during 240 hours of directed enforcement activity on secondary roadways.
- Traffic Operations personnel conducted 475 level 2/3 inspections on commercial vehicles and their drivers. This is a 12.4% decrease from January. There were 233 citations issued for safety violations and 54 drivers along with 5 vehicles placed "out of service." Traffic Operations personnel discovered one dyed fuel violation during 438 inspections of dyed fuel.



	Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]						
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
February-07	475	233	622	54	5	438	1
February-06	430	249	902	70	N/A	357	0
% Change	10.5%	-6.5%	-31.1	-22.9%	N/A	22.6%	100.0%

February-07	475	233	622	54	5	438	1
January-07	542	283	742	42	4	438	1
% Change	-12.4%	-17.7%	-16.2%	28.5%	25.0%	0.0%	0.0%

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	February 07	February 06	% Change	January 07	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER					
Radio Transmissions	75,162	68,030	10.5%	84,514	-11.1%
CAD incidents	10,223	10,533	-2.9%	11,304	-9.6%
Telephone Calls	9,601	10,105	-5.0%	11,488	-16.4%
Call Box Incidents	N/A	18	N/A	N/A	N/A
FRONT OFFICE					
Accident Reports Processed	76	56	35.7%	91	-16.5%
Arrest Reports Processed	90	92	-2.2%	87	3.4%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	18	23	-21.7%	11	63.6%
COURT / WARRANT					
Warrants Received	352	280	25.7%	390	-9.7%
Warrants Entered	304	350	-13.1%	385	-21.0%
Warrants Cleared	815	418	95.0%	284	187.0%
Warrants Validated	2,182	1992	9.5%	2,669	-18.2%
Extradition / Transports	7	4	75.0%	7	0.0%
EVIDENCE					
New Cases Submitted	13	52	-75.0%	41	-68.3%
New Items Submitted	33	274	-88.0%	148	-77.7%
Items Disposed	13	26	-50.0%	13	0.0%

Contract Service overtime was 208.59 hours for 6 contracts totaling \$13,427.94.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- The Communications Center recorded decreases in all categories during February as compared to January. Radio transmissions were down 11.1% as were CAD incidents by 9.6%, and telephone calls by 16.4%. The call box incident tracking was still unavailable for February due to technical issues with NDOT and the equipment.
- Front Office personnel processed 16.5% fewer accident reports, but arrest reports processed increased by 3.4% as did officer/incident reports by 63.6%.
- The Court Warrants Unit had decreases in warrants received by 9.7%, warrants entered declined by 21.0%, and warrants validated by 18.2%. Warrants cleared increased by 531 or 187%.
- The Evidence Vault had a 68.3% decline in number of new cases submitted with a corresponding decrease of 77.7% in new items submitted. 13 items of evidence were destroyed in February.

AIR OPERATIONS

The Central Command aircraft flew 20.6 hours during the month of February. Ten speed enforcement missions were scheduled; 4 were flown, 1 mission was canceled due to bad weather, 2 missions were canceled because of prisoner transports, and 3 missions were canceled due to mandatory meetings. A total of 38 enforcement actions were taken: 19 in Wells, and 19 in Winnemucca. The high speed for this month was 96 mph in a 75mph zone. Flight time was split between speed enforcement, 51%; prisoner transport, 14%; and the remaining 35% was split between personnel and property transports. Compared to last month when the aircraft flew 34.1 hours, 74% of the flight time was used in 7 speed enforcement missions; two property transports, 11%; and the remaining 15% was split between line patrol and maintenance. Two prisoner transports and five property transports were accomplished this month. The aircraft was also used in an attempt to locate an armed suspect who was traveling from Twin Falls to the Elko area. The aircraft maintenance and annual inspection have been completed. The enforcement sites at Ely and Tonopah have been recertified, and new marks have been laid out in the Tonopah area. The Central Command pilot was asked to attend a Humboldt County law enforcement meeting this month and was given the opportunity to address the group, which included the Humboldt County Sheriff, the Winnemucca Chief of Police, and the Humboldt County District Attorney. The mission of the Central Command aircraft was explained to the group, and they were given contact numbers should they require air assets in their area.

PERSONNEL

Annual awards for 2006 were presented as follows:

Dispatcher of the Year	PSD Mayra Cortez
Trooper of the Year	Tpr Mike Timm
Supervisor of the Year	Sgt. Steve Boyer

Tpr. Urso and Tpr. Pickers received certificates for outstanding activity.

Sgt. Jorgensen received a commendation for his District's outstanding performance.

Lt. Osborn received the Command Appreciation Award for service and support outside of the Command.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

February 1 – J.O.P. Meeting with Elko Justice Court

February 4 – Mining Expo Meeting

February 7 – Northern Nevada Autism Network Meeting

February 8 – J.O.P. Meeting with Ely Justice Court

February 13 – J.O.P. Meeting with Beowawe Justice Court

February 14 – J.O.P. Meeting with Elko Justice Court

February 20 – Industry Training for NDOT Winnemucca

February 26-28 – National Reading Week, Northside Elementary

February 27 – Government Day with Boy Scouts



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